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**Responsibility** — Robby Steen, left, a sixth grader in Elizabeth Hall's class at Niedringhaus School, fills out a receipt for a classmate's deposit. Jane Knight, center, a senior personal banker with Central Bank, instructs Steen, while his classmate Amy Harper, right, works as a cashier. The program, held in cooperation with Central Bank, teaches children about money and savings hands on as they open small savings accounts, handling the transactions themselves. More photos on Page 3A.

(Staff photo by JOHN FRESE)

## Partney blasts city financial practices

By Bob Slate  
Staff writer

Granite City mayoral candidate David Partney said this week he was "shocked" and "shocked" by city financial data he has obtained under the Freedom of Information Act.

After reviewing these figures, I now know why the current administration didn't want an audit released until after this election," Partney said.

But in response, City Comptroller K.P. MacTaggart said the city is "in the best financial condition it has been in the history of Granite City."

Partney said a comparison between expenditures during the last term of former Mayor Ron Selph and the first three years of current Mayor Ron Selph, too, shows that expenditures for engineering, the street department and "bonuses" have increased dramatically over the last four years.

Partney said the city's engineering firm, Juneau Associates, the city's electrical engineering firm, received \$86,677 during the last year of the Crusade administration.

Juneau Associates was paid more than \$1 million by the city during the first three years of Selph's term, records show.

Juneau Associates was paid \$327,356 in the fiscal year ending April 30, 1994; \$337,181 in 1995; and \$393,582 in the fiscal year ended April 30, 1996.

City Comptroller K.P. MacTaggart said much of the engineering cost was related to a large number of sewer breaks sustained between 1993 and 1996 because of flooding.

Other engineering costs were associated with Large Motor Fuel Tax projects, such as

## Selph, Melton literature assailed

By Bob Slate  
Staff writer

Granite City mayoral candidate David Partney says two of his opponents have made serious errors in their campaign literature.

Partney criticized incumbent Mayor Ron Selph and candidate Dewey Melton for the manner in which the respective candidates' literature was printed.

"The present mayor, while stressing economic development in the city, has gone out of town to have his campaign literature printed," Partney said.

He said the mayor's literature bears a union "bug" from a print shop in Bridgeton, Mo.

"With all the local businesses participating

(See SELPH, Page 11A)

improvements to Pontoon Road.

"Other engineering firms were doing work under the Crusade administration," MacTaggart said. "The engineering work has to be done, no matter who does it."

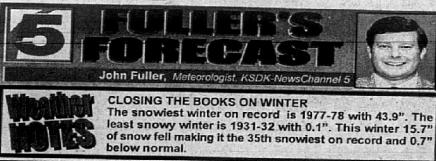
If elected, Partney said, he plans to establish a city engineering office with a licensed city engineer, a draftsman and computerized drawing equipment at an annual cost of

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## Faces



Dustin Wilkinson

Granite City native Dustin Wilkinson, a senior in the acting program at the University of Illinois at Champaign/Urbana, plans to pursue a career in theater after graduating. Wilkinson recently performed the part of Cassio in "Iago's Play" at the Lowell Playhouse series. He also performed in Illinois Repertory Theatre productions of "Amadeus," "The Skin of Our Teeth" and "Measure for Measure." At the Arizona Free Theatre, Wilkinson has performed in "When We Dead Awake," "Girls Guide to Chaos" and "Giant Townspeople." Wilkinson is the son of Robert and Natalie and Joe Mangiaracino of Granite City.

## Panel endorses Walgreen plan

By Bob Slate  
Staff writer

Despite concerns expressed by some Granite City residents living near the proposed Walgreen store on Nameoki Road, the Planning and Zoning Commission has recommended that the project be rezoned commercial.

About 20 residents of Fair Oaks Drive, located behind the proposed 16,500-square-foot retail store and 24-hour pharmacy, on Monday expressed concerns about poor stormwater drainage in the area.

But members of the Planning and Zoning Commission, a group of volunteers that conduct public hearings on zoning matters and then make recommendations to the City Council, said state law controls drainage issues and the engineering of the project must be approved prior to the start of construction, slated for late spring.

The commission voted to approve the property located on Nameoki Road, between Main Avenue and Showy's Restaurant, to commercial from (See PLAN, Page 11A)

## NEWS

Pontoon Beach officials are trying to stop a local man from dumping more concrete on his property.

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## PEOPLE

Election '97: Candidates in Granite City Township and Pontoon Beach elections are profiled.

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## NEWS

# Concrete to spare

## Pontoon officials order halt to dumping

By Michelle Duell  
Staff writer

The Pontoon Beach Village Board of Trustees last week issued a stop order to a village resident who has been building concrete structures on his property and allegedly dumping dirt into Elm Slough without proper permits.

The stop order was issued against Ron Shafer to prevent the dumping of fill dirt and other dumping, which Shafer said he did not do. The order is also supposed to stop the dumping of dirt "which is considered as fill in my opinion," said village inspector Bob Bartholemey.

Shafer, whose property consists of eight acres of land, has been pouring a concrete driveway nine feet high. In addition, he has what he calls a "genealogical rock garden" made of poured concrete on the property. He is also constructing a concrete trellis 14 feet high on which he said he plans to grow ivy.

The trustee told Shafer, who is property owner in the middle of Pontoon Beach, that any person who dumped "any" deposit material—including dirt, garbage, broken concrete, bricks, rocks, stones or debris—on his property would be fined \$250 per violation.

At the meeting, Shafer complained that other people

were dumping debris on his property and that he wanted it to stop. Photographs verified that dumping of the debris had been occurring on his property.

Regarding the pouring of concrete, Shafer said he was pouring a "driveway," and during the meeting asked that he be allowed to extend it another 100 feet to his pole barn where he keeps tools and other equipment.

A round-about tour Friday of what Shafer called a driveway verified that the concrete driveway was 100 feet long, a height of about nine feet and consisted of such poor quality concrete that it cracked off the surface.

In addition, the "driveway" was appears to be about 75 feet long, consisted of uneven concrete mounds.

"I wouldn't drive my vehicle over it," said Trustee Randy Presswood.

The concrete pouring is one of Shafer's latest projects. Regarding the concrete genealogical rock garden, he told a reporter it is built to last for 500 years." He distributed a full-color pamphlet advertising the garden.

The concrete trellis he has been pouring is against a fence adjacent to property owned by his brother, Fred Shafer. The concrete structure is a trellis,

Ron Shafer said after the meeting.

Ron Shafer said he had received permits to pour the concrete, but village officials said they couldn't find them.

The concrete pouring has apparently been going on for about 12 acres of land. On Fred Shafer's property there are no concrete structures. A tour of his land reveals property that is grassy and some park. And on the property, he has emus, ostriches, deer, geese, peacocks and ducks, among other animals.

On the property, his large home is well-cared for, but when he looks out windows, he sees the concrete.

Fred Shafer claims the concrete pouring has been going on for the last 12 to 14 years and the filling of dirt into Elm Slough for about 20 years.

"We've (the village board) been trying to stop him from pouring concrete since before 1990," said Trustee Mike Macek. "Concrete (from the construction) is falling into the slough, and that's against the law."

"The land used to be flat," said Trustee Randy Presswood. "It's probably the worst looking thing in Pontoon Beach."

"In the summertime, its really ugly," Fred Shafer said. "But then you



(Staff photos by JOHN FRESE)

Above, the elevated driveway at the home of Ron Shafer. Below, Shafer's front yard.



look at that. Why would anybody want to do that to a piece of land? He's devalued my home, and he's been encroaching on my fence."

A tour of Elm Slough, which runs in front of Ron Shafer's property, revealed that fill had been dumped into the water, creating a bank that extended about 20 feet into the water.

During an interview after the meeting, Ron Shafer said:

"The police are dumping dirt on my land. They're trying to ruin my life. They run the whole town."

## Homes proposed for Venice

By Michelle Duell  
Staff writer

A developer of an Illinois-based company on Tuesday told the Venice Board of Aldermen that he would like to build 100 new homes in parts of the community where houses have been removed or should be removed.

The developer, Ed Hilton, who works up in the Madison and Venice areas, represented Eagle's Nest of Illinois New Age Growth Corp. of Oakville, a Chicago suburb.

Last week, he gave a similar presentation to the Madison City Council, outlining a plan to develop a residential subdivision on the former site of Lincoln School. The council decided to let it a chance.

Improvements in the area such as the Gateway Racetrack and the McKinley Bridge route would give the developer opportunity to Venice, Hilton said.

Additional residential housing, Hilton said, would provide Venice with more revenue and help improve property tax base.

Venice is in a depressed area and has about 25 homes that need to be removed from their lots. Its population has decreased during the last 20 years and jobs are scarce.

"I take a lot of pride in this city because it's part of my heritage," Hilton said, adding he wanted to see its city grow.

The panel houses he proposed to build in Madison and Venice included a range of styles — from contemporary to hexagon.

### Registration set

St. Elizabeth School registration will be held April 2 for grades K-4 and April 3 for grades 5-8, from 7-8:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

Registration forms will be available Wednesday only. Kindergarten and new students are to bring their baptismal and birth certificates.

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They are energy efficient, made of white PVC, which allows the homes to breathe, and they can be built within a month, Hilton said.

In addition, he said, loans for the homes could be easily obtained.

Magna Bank and the Madison County Community Development would provide 2 percent of the cost for a down payment and \$10,000 to be paid back at 2 percent interest within a 10-year period, Hilton said, adding that he had been working with the two entities.

He suggested that he provide a 30-year mortgage, he said, and "you must have a job for only one year to qualify."

Officials from either Magna Bank or Madison County Community Development were at the Venice meeting.

During the presentation in Madison, Elmer Wortham, vice president of Magna Bank's Madison Branch

facility, said the bank had several affordable, low-interest mortgages available, but that he received few qualifying applicants because many did not have credit.

"We all agree there have to be some improvements in Venice," Hilton said. "We need to create restaurants and hotels. That's McKinley Bridge is an asset. Route 3 from Southern Illinois to Jobs, power and a sustainable growing population are what's needed. This community needs to grow."

The city would lose it because taxes would be coming in on the property instead of a vacant lot," he added. "It would convert the cycle of deterioration into growth."

Venice Mayor Tyrone Echols said that he agreed without question that there is land in Venice.

However, Echols said, "a lot of it is 25 square feet in size. It has been the practice here not

to build on 25 feet. You can look throughout town. The houses are still there."

"And some of the old houses are in good enough condition to be upgraded," Echols said.

"There's ground galore going around the back side" of the city.

Hilton told Echols that he could build houses 18 feet wide, but he would feel cheated.

"We're trying to get 60-foot lots," Hilton said.

Hilton added that when he presented his plan to Madison officials, they were receptive to the idea.

"My major concern is that Venetian work together," he said.

Echols, however, said that before the Board of Aldermen made a decision regarding Hilton's proposal, he wanted a more public hearing.

"When the jobs come, development comes," Echols said.

## Three port terminals proposed for Venice

By Michelle Duell  
Staff writer

A representative of the Southwestern Illinois Planning Commission on Tuesday presented to the Venice Board of Aldermen an update on expansion of the Tri-City Regional Port District that could lead to building three terminals along the Chain of Rocks Canal.

Director of Planning George Andres said that facilities at the district's current location on the Chain of Rocks Canal are becoming cramped and need to expand.

The director has nowhere left to go other than toward Venice, he said, and should be looking toward Venice.

Andres said there are three reasons for interest in the Venice riverfront: It would cost less than expanding to other areas; there are more railroad carriers in the Venice area; and proximity to rail areas leads to "good logistics."

Investment for the three facilities is estimated to cost \$13 million, Andres said.

But, he added, it probably would create only about 100 jobs.

"The job opportunities would come from businesses moving next door," he said.

Venice Mayor Tyrone Echols lauded the opportunity that Andres presented.

"It may conceivably create many jobs," he said.

Said Echols, "We have high hopes for this and will be looking forward to more in-depth detailed information at a later date."

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## NEWS

# Voting equipment to smooth elections

County OKs purchase of program to digitally reproduce signatures for comparison

By Bob Slatke  
Staff writer

Local elections are less than two weeks away, but Madison County Clerk Debbie Saltich is already preparing for Nov. 4.

The Madison County Board on Wednesday approved a resolution supporting a contract for the purchase of a signature digitization program — "sig dig" for short — to make elections run more smoothly.

With signature digitization, county election records will include a digitally-produced sample signature of every registered voter. On election day, voters need only to provide a sample of their signature to receive a ballot.

With sig dig, the judges will only have to have the lists. It's just so much easier for judges on election day. Judges, many of whom are elderly, must currently carry binders — some of which weigh as much as 30 to 40 pounds — containing registration records, she said.

"With sig dig, the judges will only have to have the lists," Saltich said. "It's just so much less cumbersome. And it is one step closer to totally automating an expeditious election process."

Saltich said about \$200,000 has been budgeted for upgrading election equipment. But, she said, after checking with a number of vendors over the past eight months, the cost of sig dig is expected to be between \$60,000 and \$70,000.

Madison County Auditor Fred Bathon said Saltich has saved hundreds of thousands of dollars each election since taking office four years ago.

"We have a very progressive county in terms of automating functions that were previously manual," Bathon said. "But the bottom line of the matter is we're heading toward a paperless world. The county is not going to be left behind. Our biggest challenge is to do it with the resources we have."

Bathon also invested into a much larger investment in automated voting equipment — scanning devices posted at each polling place that immediately read ballots and store the information on small plastic cassettes.

The Optech III optical scan voting system was used on a trial basis during the recent

"With sig dig, the judges will only have to have the lists. It's just so much less cumbersome. And it is one step closer to totally automating an expeditious election process."

— Debbie Saltich  
County clerk

primary election in Collinsville.

"The voters and judges love it," Saltich said. Instead of punch card ballots, voters were handed a card on which they were asked to copy their name, in ink, next to the name of their chosen candidate.

The machines, placed at each of Collinsville Township's 16 precincts, tally votes right at the polling place, reject spoiled ballots, and the results are easily read by "pin holes" under the current county system.

Where the polls closed, the plastic memory cassettes — weighing less than a pound and about the size of an old 8-track audio tape cassette — are all that's needed to be transported to Edwardsville to compile voting totals.

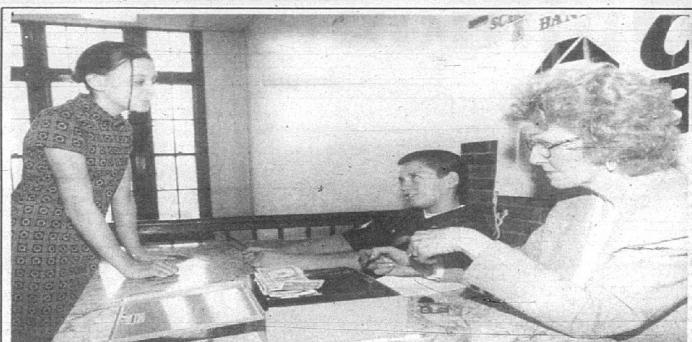
Ballots remain locked in a box and can be retrieved for verification purposes.

Saltich said the equipment, used countywide, will dramatically reduce the time necessary to count the results — and thus cut down on overtime expenses.

But the optical scan equipment has a high price tag. Saltich said she has received quotes as high as \$1.3 million to equip the entire county with the system.

Bathon said the county board's finance committee is committed to automating the election process while maintaining its integrity.

"The question is, will this technology be obsolete in a few years and is it cost effective to make the investment now?" Bathon said.



(Staff photos by JOHN FRESE)

**Hands-on learning** — Niedringhaus sixth grader Kristy Jones, left in top photo, waits as Jane Knight records a deposit she made during an educational banking program at the school. Behind them is Robby Steen. In bottom photo, partners in the program include: Jane Knight, Central Bank senior personal banker; bank President Steve Signal; Niedringhaus School Principal Ellen Voyles; and sixth grade teacher Elizabeth Hall.

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- Work with other taxing bodies to provide a plan for affordable housing in Granite City
- Continue our aggressive annexation program

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## NEWS

## Obituaries

## Irene Adams

Irene Frances Adams, 67, of Granite City, died Saturday, March 15, 1997, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville following six-week illness. She was born March 25, 1930, in Granite City.

Mrs. Adams, a lifelong Granite City resident, was a homemaker and member of Calvary Pentecostal Church.



**Survivors**

Include two sons, Leonard and Steven Adams, both of Granite City; three daughters, Linda Watson of Granite City, Theresa Adams of Highland, Calif., and Pamela DeSalles of Stevenson, Calif.; three sisters, Lola Casiano of Fairview Park, May Young of Grafton, and Carothersville, Mo.; 10 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Services are suggested to Shriners Hospital for Children in St. Louis.

grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be from 1 to 4 p.m. Friday, March 21, at Offord Funeral Home, 214 Main Street, East St. Louis. Services are scheduled for 7 p.m. Friday at Canaan Galilee Missionary Baptist Church, 307 Alton St., Madison, with Rev. Roy Harris officiating. Burial will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at Sunset Gardens of Memory Cemetery in Stookey Township.

## William O'Neil

William O'Neil, 81, of Granite City, died Wednesday, March 19.

Visitation will be from 5-8 p.m. Friday at Irwin Chapel, 3960 Maryville Road, 931-8000. Funeral service arrangements are pending. Burial will be at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Glen Carbon.

Memorials are suggested to Shriners Hospital for Children in St. Louis.

## Arttis Ware

Arttis "Otis" Ware, 86, of Venice died Monday, March 10, 1997, in Granite City. He was a native of Holly Springs, Miss.

Survivors include his daughter, Catherine Ware, and Anna Bennett both of Venice, Jessie Smith of Norfolk, Va., and Mattheia Wright of Greenville; four brothers; Lee Mathenia; and two sisters, Goldie Mathenia and Ruby Manz.

Services are scheduled for 11 a.m. Thursday, March 20, at Werner Chapel for Funerals, 1010 W. Main Street, Pontoon Beach, with the Rev. Mark Maynard officiating. Burial will be in St. John's Cemetery.

## Mildred Jennings

Mildred Jennings, 81, of Madison died Saturday, March 15, 1997, at St. John Rehabilitation Center in Clayton, Mo. She was a native of Lucy, Tenn.

Survivors include seven children, Elton, Kasee, Mae Arthur, Estella, Gail and Caleb Jennings, and Juanita Myers,

# Edgar OKs enterprise zone

As expected, Gov. Jim Edgar signed legislation Wednesday authorizing a 2,700-acre enterprise zone in East St. Louis and Edwardsville townships just north of Pontoon Beach.

The enterprise zone is expected to pave the way for a major industrial development officials have said could produce as many as 12,000 permanent new jobs.

"This is great news for the working families of that Metro East," said State Rep. Tom Holbrook, D-Belleville, who cosponsored the legislation in the House. House Rep. representative Glenn Davis, D-Belleville; Glenn Carbon; Ron Stevens, R-Troy.

The bill was sponsored in the Illinois Senate by Evelyn Bowles, D-East St. Louis; Fred Watson, R-Greenfield; and James Clayborne, D-East St. Louis.

Enterprise zones create temporary property tax abatements for developers. Thomas Development Co. of St. Charles, Mo., has an option to purchase property in the development zone and has announced plans for an industrial park, Gateway Commerce

Center.

Officials have said the development could be similar to East City in St. Louis County, but larger.

Several corporations, including Dial, are reportedly looking at the site and tenants for the proposed industrial park are expected to be identified soon.

"The bottom line is that this project will provide thousands of needed jobs," Davis said. "This will have a huge economic impact on Madison County."

The first phase of the development will be under construction within 30 days, said David Sherrill, an engineer on the project. He said tenants could be occupying space before the end of the year.

Broadway praised the bi-partisan effort to get the legislation passed.

"I am particularly proud of the manner in which this bill was developed," Bedford said. "Members of both political parties got together and put aside differences to do what's right for Madison County."

The enterprise zone is the first approved by Edgar during his tenure as governor.

## Benzene found at shop

Traces of benzene found at the Illinois Radiator Shop on Main Street in Glen Carbon were slightly over state standards and warrant no mitigation.

Village officials met Friday with SCI Engineering of Fairview Heights and discussed test results that reported 37 parts per billion of benzene in core samples.

The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency standard for benzene is 30 parts per billion in soil.

Tests for toluene and xylene also exceeded ILEPA cleanup standards.

But results for water and soil, SCI Project Manager Jack Mutchler said.

The company tested for the four contaminants, but benzene was the primary concern, Mutchler said.

"The report is good news. It's what we thought we would find," Trustee Ben Maliszewski said.

The Village Board had the site tested after agreeing last month to buy the radiator shop, adjacent house and parking lots from the Rockford for \$900,000.

The property lies at the heart of Old Town at Main and School streets and is at the center of the village's 1995 Main Street Plan to encourage redevelopment for private business.

Appraisers estimated the main corner's value at \$165,000.

Maliszewski, who worked on the Main Street Plan, said the cleanup could take about two days and cost an estimated \$20,000 or less, depending upon the contractor.

The cleanup will require removal of about 40 truckloads of dirt from the site.

Tests indicate the contamination is limited to the northwest corner of the property to a depth of about 10 feet, officials said.

## Funeral summary

SHONE, Geraldine E. (Moss), 78, of Bridgeton, Mo., formerly of Granite City, died at 11:45 a.m. Saturday, March 15, 1997, at the home of her daughter in Bridgeton, Mo.

Graeside services were held Tuesday, March 18, at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Glen Carbon with the Rev. Francis Tebaghna officiating.

Memorials are suggested to the Madison County Humane Society.

Arrangements were handled by Thomas Mortuary, 2203 Pontoon Road, Granite City.

TURNER, Sylvia F. (Puhse), 90, of Granite City died Friday, March 14, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Care Center in East St. Louis.

Services were held Tuesday, March 18, at Irwin Chapel, 3960 Maryville Road, Granite City, with the Rev. Hermanott officiating. Burial was at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Glen Carbon.

Memorials are suggested to the American Diabetes Association.

KRIES, Mary Nancy, 80, of Granite City died at 12:50 p.m. Sunday, March 16, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Care Center following a two-week illness.

Services were held Tuesday, March 18, at Holy Family Catholic Church, 26th & Washington, with Rev. Michael Neudecker officiating. Burial was at Valley View Cemetery in Edwardsville.

Memorials are suggested to Masses.

Arrangements were handled by Werner Chapel for Funer-

als, 3939 Lake Drive, Pontoon Beach.

WILLERS, Billy D., 67, of Granite City died at 1:41 p.m. Sunday, March 16, 1997, at his residence following a 10-year illness.

Arrangements for services to be held in ADVANCE, Mo., are pending. The Revs. Larry Allison and Herb McMillian will officiate. Burial will be at Bolinger Cemetery in Lutesville, Mo.

Arrangements were handled by Werner Chapel for Funerals, 3939 Lake Drive, Granite City.

LEACH, Joseph L., 82, of East St. Louis, died at 5:49 a.m. Thursday, March 6, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City.

Services were held Monday, March 10, at Irwin Chapel, 3960 Maryville Road, Granite City, with the Rev. Mark Skiles officiating. Burial was at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Glen Carbon.

Memorials are suggested to the American Heart Association.

EGERER, Dorothy Josephine (Odum), 74, of Caseyville died at 12:01 a.m. Sunday, March 16, 1997, at Caseyville Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.

Services were held Tuesday, March 18, at Herbert A. Kassner Funeral Home Ltd., 515 Main Street, Granite City, with Deacon Julius Gieseke officiating. Burial was at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery in St. Louis.

Memorials are suggested to the American Cancer Society.

KASEBERG, Howard W., 78, of Sarasota, Fla., a former Granite City farmer and businessman, died Monday March 17, 1997, at a nursing home in Florida.

Services were held Wednesday, March 19, at St. John United Methodist Church in Granite City.

Arrangements were handled by Irwin Chapel, 3960 Maryville Road, Granite City.

GYARMATI, John F., 81, of Granite City died at 10:05 a.m. Sunday, March 16, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. He had been a patient for five days.

Services were held Wednesday, March 19, at St. Elizabeth Catholic Church, 2301 Pontoon

## Slain security guard remembered

By Nicole Vaughn  
Staff writer

A few weeks ago, Rich Heflin was on the telephone with Caseville Police Chief Ron Tamburello making plans to go hunting and fishing.

On Monday afternoon, those plans died with Heflin at a St. Louis hospital.

Heflin, a former Caseville police officer, was shot to death Monday morning during a robbery at the Lindell Bank and Trust, Clayton Road at Maryland Avenue in St. Louis. Police are still investigating Heflin's death.

Heflin, who had been a guard at the bank for about 10 years, was the only person injured during the robbery. Heflin had recently moved to Belleville from Collinsville, friends said.

The robbery took place shortly after 10:30 a.m. Monday when two men burst into the bank and, without saying a word, opened fire with AK-47 assault rifles. They fatally wounded Heflin and sprayed the bank with bullets, terrifying but not hitting any of the other 25 to 30 people there at the time.

The robbers then left the bank carrying a bag full of money and took off in a van that later crashed in Forest Park.

Police captured one suspect Monday, after a van carrying the two men crashed into a tree and caught fire near the St. Louis Zoo, Forest Park.

He is now Robert J. Heflin, 22, of the Jennings area. He is charged with first-degree counts of murder, armed robbery and armed criminal action. He also faces a federal bank robbery charge.

One of the suspects, Billie Allen, 19, eluded police until early Tuesday morning, when he was captured at 3:45 a.m. in early morning hours in a room in downtown Louisville. He is charged with first-degree counts of murder and robbery, and two counts of armed criminal action. He also faces a federal charge of bank robbery. Police said he has no known address.

Wiley Thompson III, special agent in charge of the FBI office in St. Louis, said he was working with the St. Louis police to apprehend the other suspect.

"They came prepared to die, if necessary," Thompson said.

Several residents, seeing the robbers leave the bank, alerted police. Some flagged down officers at a St. Patrick's Day celebration nearby in the Dogtown neighborhood.

One man, Jason Toul, 22, followed the van from the bank and flagged it down.

Tamburello said he had known Heflin for years and encouraged him to join the Caseville force. Heflin worked part time for the department from 1986-1992.

Tamburello said he hadn't seen Heflin much since Heflin got married last fall and remained in touch with Heflin's wife, Linda.

"That's how they met," Tamburello said.

She was working in a branch office the day of the robbery. Tamburello said he will remember his friend as a prankster. "We'd go up against each other to see who could outdo the other one. It's just so hard to believe," he said.

Pat Herndon, Caseville's chief telecommunicator, agreed.

"It really shocked all of us," she said. When officers first heard of the St. Louis robbery and the shooting they quickly discounted the incident as happening at Heflin's bank.

"It's like, 'It can't be,' it's not," Herndon said to co-workers. "Nothing ever happened at Rich's bank, that's what he was always saying. He used to joke that Roger (Sloan, a former Caseville officer) got all the excitement at his bank (where he works as a security guard).

Herndon, who trained Heflin when he joined the department 10 years ago and their oldest children are the same age, Working midnight together for three years, they became fast friends.

"He had the greatest sense of humor," Herndon said. "He could always sense when something was bothering him. He'd get you to laughing, and before the night was over you'd forget what you were even upset about."

Services were held Wednesday, March 12, at Werner Chapel for Ferderer, 3939 Lake Drive, Pontoon Beach.

Memorials are suggested to the St. Elizabeth School Scholarship Fund.

Arrangements were handled by Irwin Chapel, 3960 Maryville Road, Granite City.

MEDLEY, Melba F. (Howell) Storey, 76, of Troy, formerly of Granite City, and Paducah, Ky., died at 4:51 a.m. Saturday, March 15, 1997, in Granite City.

Services were held Tuesday, March 19, at Irwin Chapel, 3960 Maryville Road, Granite City, with the Rev. Tim Lewis officiating. Burial was at Sunet Hill Cemetery in Edwardsville.

Memorials are suggested to the American Heart Association.

STAFFORD, Margaret A., 95, of Edwardsville died at 8:35 p.m. Thursday, March 13, 1997, at Edwardsville Care Center.

Services were held Monday, March 17, at St. John's United Methodist Church, Edwardsville.

Memorials are suggested to the American Heart Association.

WERNER, Geraldine E., 78, of Edwardsville died at 10:05 a.m. Saturday, March 15, 1997, at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery in St. Louis.

Memorials are suggested to the American Cancer Society.

KASEBERG, Howard W., 78, of Sarasota, Fla., a former Granite City farmer and businessman, died Monday March 17, 1997, at a nursing home in Florida.

Services were held Wednesday, March 19, at St. John United Methodist Church in Granite City.

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GYARMATI, John F., 81, of Granite City died at 10:05 a.m. Sunday, March 16, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. He had been a patient for five days.

Services were held Wednesday, March 19, at St. Elizabeth Catholic Church, 2301 Pontoon

Road, with Rev. Thomas Liebler officiating. Burial was at Calvary Cemetery in Granite City.

Memorials are suggested to the Rev. Bill Davison officiating. Burial was at St. John Cemetery in Granite City.

Services were held Saturday, March 15, at Irwin Chapel, 3960 Maryville Road, with the Rev. Dr. Bob Jones officiating. Burial was at Calvary Cemetery in Edwardsville.

Memorials are suggested to the American Heart Association.

ARRINGTON, Dennis L., 46, of Granite City, died at 10:45 a.m. Saturday, March 15, 1997, at a nursing home in Granite City.

Services were held Thursday, March 20, at First Baptist Church in Vicksburg, Mo., with Elder Bill Mathes officiating. Burial was at Dotson Cemetery.

Arrangements were handled by Spencer Funeral Home, 103 W. Center, Salem, Mo., 63560.

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## NEWS

**News in review**

*News in review provides a summary of some of the past week's stories. This column is designed for out-of-town readers who do not receive the Sunday and Wednesday Press-Record/Journals.*

**Bowler seeks housing court**

Mayoral candidate Paul Ray Bowler announced this week his plan for the creation of a housing court to deal exclusively with derelict property in the city.

Under the plan, Bowler said, the city would contract with an attorney, whose salary would be paid from fines levied, to preside over the court. The court would meet one day each week to hear only cases involving city property violations. The court would have the authority to levy fines and impose penalties.

Bowler said the plan would drastically cut the time needed to resolve property disputes. He said a similar system in Aurora claims to resolve 85 percent of property disputes before the court date arrives.

**Homes slated for Madison**

Ed Hilton would like to build \$100,000 and \$200,000 homes in his home town of Madison.

But Hilton, a developer for Canton, Ga.-based Eagle's Nest Homes, will settle for now on a few in the \$70,000 to \$80,000 price range.

"The market for Madison is now," Hilton told the City Council last week. "Not tomorrow, not next year, not 10 years from now. This is just the beginning."

Hilton has proposed a residential development at the former site of Dunbar School.

He said the improvements making Gateway International Raceway a major tourist attraction should bring with it hundreds of good-paying jobs to Madison, and that city officials should take advantage of the opportunity.

**Madison season ends**

"Win or lose, that was a great show," Madison High School basketball coach Al Collins said after his team's 68-69 quarterfinal loss to Normal University High in the Illinois Class A state tournament Friday in Peoria.

The Trojans finished 25-7 on the season and clinched their first super-sectional title in 12 years.

**GC Steel, workers get award**

Granite City Steel Division of National Steel last week was presented a prestigious state award for the cooperation between the company's management and workers.

The award, "Labor-Management Partners: On the Road to High Performance," is given every two years by Illinois Department of Commerce and Community Affairs in recognition of positive labor-management relations and cooperative work practices.

Granite City Steel and its union workers, members of United Steelworkers of America Locals 16, 30, 67, 68 and 9325, are the only recipients of the award this year.

**More hepatitis cases confirmed**

BETHALTO — An apparently unrelated case of hepatitis A is among five newly confirmed cases of the disease, health officials said Tuesday.

Two cases now have been confirmed in the Bethalto area and five new suspected cases are awaiting lab results for confirmation, said Debra Tschischok, permanent health services manager with the Madison County Health Department.

"We're looking out for five cases a month in a normal year, and many others that go unreported," she said. "This one new case appears to be unrelated to the others."

Most of the cases, which began surfacing in the first week of March, are members of the Bethalto Boys and Girls Club wrestling team or their relatives.

The disease is spread by fecal-oral contact.

— From The Telegraph

**Church plans new building**

Peace Church recently sold its facility at 2216 Charles Street and is in the process of finding a new one on Horsehoe Lake Road. At the present it is sharing the facility on Charles Street and hopes to have the new church built by the end of the year.

Special Easter Service will be held on Sunday, March 30,

at the Granite City High School Auditorium.

Services begin at 10:30 a.m.

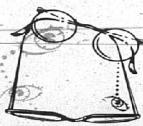
The Wanda Morris Boys, a well-known Southern gospel quartet,

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**SIUE working on recruitment  
Additional class time slot will force earlier starting time**

SIUE continues to roll out the welcome mat to attract new students, but the university's growing enrollment is forcing adjustments next fall.

In order to fit in an additional class time slot, Southern Illinois University will begin classes at 8 a.m., a half-hour earlier than this year.

On Tuesdays and Thursdays two extra class times will be gained by the earlier start time and cutting time between classes.

"There is ample opportunity for growth in public institutions," including SIUE, said David Werner, provost and vice president for academic affairs, at a recent meeting.

He said graduating high school students still attend college at the same rate as in recent years.

"The growth in the high school graduation rate is high enough to sustain the state universities," he said. SIUE also plans to "remain committed to accessibility" by not raising admission standards, he said, which won't limit the number of students who can enter the university.

Officials also are trying to squeeze in more housing space in preparation for another freshman surge this fall.

Enrollment at the university is slowly climbing, with nearly freshmen drawn by Residence Hall.

In fall 1996 there were 11,047 students. Enrollment rose to 11,151 in fall 1996 with 1,246 freshmen, an increase of 12.4 percent over the previous year.

Werner said the university wants slow growth and would like to see 35 additional freshmen per year and 25 more transfer students yearly.

Undergraduate recruitment has been helped by the STAR Program (Students Assisting in Recruiting), a group of 25 volunteers who give campus tours, visit their hometown high schools and keep in contact with students who are considering attending SIUE.

At that SIUE presentation, STAR member Pat Hill of Collinsville said the group's purpose "is to establish a student-to-student relationship. If we can get students to visit the campus, it's a lock. We are ambassadors to the university. High school students would

rather talk to students, they are better able to relate to somebody in their age group."

At that same meeting, Werner outlined other provisions of the university's Enrollment Management Plan, which includes the change in starting time.

Werner said the university's recruitment efforts target students in certain geographical areas. Foremost are students in Madison and St. Clair counties; secondary targets are those east of SIUE along Interstates 70 and 55, particularly small towns in those areas.

"Tertiary" targets are Chicago and "other" counties, he said.

"Our recruitment efforts are improving on-campus housing, counseling, support for instruction, early warning and academic intervention availability, and orientation and honors programs.

— From The Telegraph

**Antique sale  
Sunday at SIUE**

The Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville Antiques Show and Sale will be held from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, March 22, and from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, March 23, all in the Visual Arts Center on the SIUE campus.

The show is sponsored by the Friends of the Lovejoy Library and benefits SIUE's Lovejoy Library. Tickets are \$3 in advance and \$4 at the door, and SIUE students and free for children younger than 13.

Advanced tickets are available at all locations of The Bank of Edwardsville and SIUE's Union Station ticket office in the University Center. Tickets are \$3.50 at the door and are good for both days.

Nearly 60 antique dealers will sell all kinds of antique furniture, clocks, toys, silver, china, jewelry, glass, dolls, linens, primitives, porcelain, books, pottery and quilts. The Friends organization will offer a varied selection of antique books, postcards and photographs.



(Staff photo by BOB SLATE)

**Helmet donation** — Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary #53 recently presented a donation to the Granite City fire department toward the purchase of a thermal imaging helmet. Pictured from left are Nancy Colby of the DAV auxiliary; firefighters Bert Houston, Bryan Schmidtke and Carl Kalkbrenner; and Mary Scarsdale of the DAV auxiliary.

**BAC poster contest planned**

Students in kindergarten through eighth grade have a chance to win a free College for Kids class of their choice at Belleville Area College by participating in the poster contest.

BAC is holding a contest to find the poster that best represents its College for Kids summer educational enrichment workshops.

The posters must be drawn by students in grades 5 to 8.

Not only will the winning artists have their names appear on the posters, which will be used throughout the district to promote the classes, the artists also will win a certificate for a free workshop of their choice and a College for Kids T-shirt.

The poster contest ends March 31.

All entries must be received by April 1. Entries received after this date will not be considered for judging. The posters should be mailed or dropped off at: Non-Traditional Programs, Room 3302, Belleville Area College, 2500 Carlyle Ave., Belleville 62221.

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## •Charged

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have police records. They are just local hoodlums who had the mind-set to burn for what ever twisted reason." Edwardsville resident Steve J. Horvath, 20, of the 900 block of Troy Road, and Glen Carbon resident Darren R. Burgess, 20, of the 100 block of Frances Street, were charged with three counts each of hate crime, one count of criminal damage to government-owned property and one count of theft under \$500. Two juveniles, both 16, also are facing the same charges in petitions. Haine said his office will seek to have the two certified to be charged as adults.

A fifth suspect, Brandon North, 18, of the 100 block of Rosin Street, and Glen Carbon, was charged with obstructing justice for allegedly starting a gasoline can used in the burning and destroying it to protect the other four, officials said.

The group is accused of using wood from a park bench in nearby Miner's Park to construct the 3-foot-high cross on the lawn in front of 100 Main Street. A couple and their two children apparently were sleeping inside their home when the cross was ignited and quickly burned out.

The suspects also are charged with destroying and stealing the park bench, located about 200 yards from the couple's home.

The couple, Keith Ellis and Antonia Valentine, first noticed the charred remains of the cross about 7:30 a.m. on June 10. The couple's daughter said she saw a man earlier that morning running after someone threw a rock through her bedroom window, but she said she thought she was dreaming and went back to sleep.

Ellis and Valentine apparently have separated, and both have moved to another area, officials said. The couple had moved to Glen Carbon last year from Nebraska to be closer to relatives.

Authorities got a break in the case when one of the juveniles was arrested in Arkansas for an aggravated robbery, authorities said. An acquaintance of his, who also was arrested, tipped authorities about the cross-burning.

Authorities met with the FBI Bureau of Investigation met with the suspects in Arkansas and took statements, which led to the other suspects in the cross-burning.

Glen Carbon Police Chief Robert Rizzi said his officers also received a lot of hot line tips about the burning.

Haine said the case was deferred to his office by the U.S. Department of Justice. He said he intends to seek prison time for each defendant.

"The act of burning a cross is an act that strikes at the heart of the community," he said. "It's an act of terror. It's an act directed against a group of citizens and at the peace and dignity of the community itself."

Rizzi noted during news conference Tuesday that the investigation was frustrating at times for his department — especially police Officer Mark Foley, who was assigned the case — and the FBI.

— From The Telegraph

## •Ruling

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required.

But Delostranti set aside that judgment Wednesday after Nighobhossian and Assistant State's Attorney Nelson Metz pleaded their cases.

Nighobhossian cited case law establishing "substantial justice" as the overriding consideration in vacating a default order. He argued that the county would not be prejudiced by trying the case on its merits, that the city would suffer a hardship if the order was not vacated.

Nighobhossian said the city annexed the property in order to provide services to the area near the bridge, which is currently under renovation to become a pedestrian/bicycle river crossing. Madison Mayor John Bellhoff said the bridge should eventually become a major attraction as the most popular tourist attraction in the St. Louis Region.

"The city has a substantial investment," Nighobhossian said, adding that the annexation was not a "land grab" by the city. He told Waste Management, the owner of much of the property, including the landfill, had voluntarily petitioned the city to annex it.

Nighobhossian said courts have historically had a liberal policy in setting aside default orders.

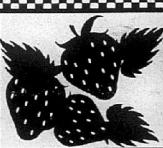
"It is a serious matter to render a state law unconstitutional," Nighobhossian said. DeLaurenti agreed.

"We would not casually declare a statute unconstitutional," DeLaurenti said. "Courts have never favored defaults — particularly if there is no prejudice to trying the case on its merits.

"I think the whole thing is important to a lot of people — obviously."



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## NEWS

# Private firm buys FSVNA

ALTON — The original division of the Family Service and Visiting Nurses Association has been sold to a private company.

The new part of the organization's bid to get out of debt, tighten up and concentrate on what it does best.

The FSVNA was sold to Greg Liebscher of Marco Island, Fla. Liebscher is a businessman who specializes in the health care industry.

It will be operated as a separate company called VNA Homecare Inc.

The VNA started in 1917 with two nurses who visited the homes of underprivileged mothers recovering from child birth, homes under quarantine with infectious diseases.

As part of the sale agreement, approved by the FSVNA board last week,

Liebscher will continue to operate the visiting nurse function and keep current employees on staff, according to the Rev. Dennis Young, chairman of the board of the FSVNA.

People of limited means should not be affected by the sale, as they will still be eligible to use Medicare or Medicaid to pay for the services, officials said.

FSVNA officials said the visiting nurse function is only a small part of the organization today, accounting for only 820 of a total of 20,000 patient visits per year and \$2 million out of a budget of \$8 million.

The visiting nurse function provides brief visits in the home for such services as flu shots, changing dressings and consultations.

FSVNA board member Dale

Chapman said the sale will help reduce the nonprofit agency's debt from \$1.2 million to \$600,000. He said the board has made a commitment to eliminate all of the organization's debt. On the plus side: Given the nature of the agency, it cannot have debt," Chapman said.

Also as part of the agency's restructuring, the board has named Charles E. Parr, who was serving as interim president, as president. He replaced Kathleen Rogers, who resigned last October as part of the restructuring.

Parr started with the agency nine years ago as head of the federally funded Head Start program.

"He is a new president and a new start," said Young, the pastor of Resurrection Lutheran Church.

The officials said the sale is a positive step because it will help present an agency that is accomplishing much good in the community.

Parr said the agency, which will get a new name in about a month, will keep its major health care and social service functions. "We were trying to be all things to all people, and now we are becoming more of a welfare to work agency," he said.

Included in the new program will be Head Start; private duty, long-term nursing care; care of the elderly; psycho logical counseling; and primary health care.

Chapman said the decision to shed the visiting nurse function was a result of studies by St. Louis architect firm Staley, Rose son, Ryan and St. Lawrence Inc., which studied the agency's functions and image in the community.

— From The Telegraph

## •Plan

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residential.

Without any doubt in anybody's imagination, this zoning change to commercial fits in with the city's comprehensive development plan for Nameoki Road," Planning and Zoning Commission Chairman Brad Eavenson said. "Unfortunately, the project behind it is not."

The City Council will take up the matter next week.

Residents said stormwater drainage has been poor since the Shoney's restaurant was built, and that water stands in puddles rather than draining during periods of heavy rain.

John Hurwitz of the Blackstone Development Group, the project's developer, said that stormwater drainage is the number one concern in most cities where he has been involved in development.

"The stormwater drainage will get no worse from our development and in all probability will get better," Hurwitz told the reporter.

He said state law prohibits the developers from increasing the watershed in the area, and that the project's engineers will have to take drainage into account when designing the building and parking areas for the store.

Hurwitz said one possible solution would be an underground stormwater detention basin engineered to hold large quantities of water and release it into the storm sewer system slowly.

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## •Partney

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Partney was also critical of the large increase in operational expenses for the street department:

"In Mayor Cruse's last year, the department's cost was \$1,828,376. The present mayor in 1996 has increased that figure to \$2,513,708 — an increase of 27 percent over three years," Partney said.

"I don't see that much improvement in our city's streets, alleys and drainage to warrant that type of increase."

MacTaggart said personnel costs, such as increased Manning for the street department, contractual raises and benefits, account for a large portion of the increase. The city also purchased \$193,000 in new equipment for the street department last year, compared to \$86,000 in the final year of Cruse's last term, MacTaggart said.

"We allocated the resources to invest in the necessary equipment," MacTaggart said, adding that the cost of materials has also increased in the past four years.

"More is getting done under the current street superintendent," MacTaggart said.

Overall, city general fund revenues exceeded expenditures by \$71,754 during Cruse's final year, Partney said.

Conversely, expenditures exceeded revenues by \$366,494 in the first year of Partney's administration.

"And expenditures have exceeded revenues in two of the three years for which we have figures for the present mayor," Partney said.

MacTaggart said the city is better fiscal condition now than it was four years ago.

"The cash balance in the general fund now is about \$400,000 higher than it was in 1993," MacTaggart said. "And the city is due \$1 million more in federal and state reimbursement."

In his review of city budgets, Partney said, he also discovered a line item listing "salary bonuses" totaling \$159,314 in fiscal year 1996.

The same line item listed zero bonuses during the last year of the Cruse administration, he said.

MacTaggart said the line item refers to retroactive pay increases, which he expected to be paid out until new contract agreements were reached with unions.

MacTaggart said the line item showed no expenditures in 1993 because no contracts with city employees were settled during the last year of the Cruse administration.

## •Selph

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in this kind of activity, I am amazed that the present mayor would be so insensitive to the needs of the community to take this factory to a shop across the river," Partney said.

"It's not the first time," he said. "Nameoki's first three fliers contained no union 'bug'."

"These types of companies do not discriminate by these candidates," Partney said. "I am interested in the local community, have lived here all my life and am seriously concerned with local businesses and the future of this city," Partney said.

MacTaggart said one of Selph's fliers is misleading because it contains photographs of U.S. Rep. Jerry Costello and Sheriff Bob Churchich, even though those two popular politicians have endorsed no one in the election.

One nearby resident said the sump pump in her basement runs every five minutes.

"We have a problem that needs to be corrected right now," she said.

Administrator Glen Hollis said he has inspected the storm sewer catch basin behind Shoney's and found that it does not appear to be draining properly, causing local ponding during heavy rains.

Street Superintendent Jerry Lakin sent a work crew to the catch basin Tuesday to clean out any debris that may be blocking proper drainage.

One nearby resident who said she moved to the neighborhood in 1954 said she and others were misled when the Shoney's restaurant was built.

"Our city leaders just outright lied to us when Shoney's came in and we don't trust them as far as we can spit," the woman said.

Hurwitz suggested that residents call him or the Walgreen store, which has similar problems after the store is built.

"But if you're building already sitting there dumping water on my house, it's too late," one resident said.

The proposed Walgreen "superstore" is to be the largest in the Metro East. The plans for the building call for 83 parking spaces next to the 16,380 square feet building, with room for future expansion.

Mayor Ron Selph said the development will improve the aesthetics of the area, spur further retail development and increase property values and sales taxes.

A grand opening for the store is planned for Nov. 1.

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## D-I wrestling to take hold in St. Louis

If you're like me, you should be tired of hearing the negatives that went along with the recent mayoral primary in St. Louis.

I mean, it's a beautiful city, and, if managed correctly, rates way above the levels depicted by politicians seeking votes.

I thought such recently while looking at a pile of notes that I may as well categorize as footnotes...

If you think St. Louis should be primarily a political powerbase football and basketball action to the area, consider the year 2000, when the city hosts its first NCAA Division I wrestling tournament.

The University of Missouri-Columbia and the St. Louis Sports Commission will host the event, but the appeal will be that it's a much bigger than just the Division I level to be showcased at the Kiel Center.

In recent years in the Southwestern Illinois area, we've seen growth and well on the high school level. In addition to developing individual state champions on the Class A and AA levels, powerhouses like us, as well as schools like Granite City, Bethalto and Vandalia leading the way.

Youth programs like that of the Red Devils in Belleville are obvious reasons for Belleville West contending at the regional level and help contribute to the facts of a National Federation of High Schools survey for the 1995-96 school year.

Such figures reveal wrestling as No. 8 on the popularity scale, with 8,677 offering wrestling while the number of participants — 221,162 — makes wrestling the No. 1 participant.

Consider also that nationally, there still are nearly 500 more schools offering wrestling than ours — which ranks ninth at 8,182.

Seems to me St. Louis has made a safe bet in seeking the wrestling final, just as the four-year sports factors from the high school level but in the interest generated by schools like SIUE-Edwardsville and Meramec Community College.

**OVERTIME:** The University of Northern Iowa in Cedar Falls, Iowa, will host the 1997 Division I titles, also fitting to host. Northern Iowa came to mind recently when I noted the basketball efforts of Adrienne Miskell, a former O'Fallon player.

A. M. Miskell had one of her best games of the season in February when she scored 15 points in a 66-58 loss at Southwest Missouri State. However, in the last game, Adrienne was five of 12 from the field, five of six from the foul line and had four rebounds and a steal in 22 minutes of play.

If you cannot appreciate the point total of 52 reached the past two years by the Patton twins at Columbia — Shawn and Robin — consider that this season's high for Michael Jordan was 51.

However, also appreciate that during the course of the season, 11 different Chicago Bulls reached double digits in a game.

The length of pro games — 48 minutes — would seem to account for high scores, but that's not the case. When former East St. Louis Lincoln star LaPhonso Ellis scored a career high 37 points in a 112-97 Denver win over Philadelphia, he was an inside player at Lincoln and Notre Dame. Ellis netted 18 of his points on six-of-11 3-point shooting.

**FOOTNOTE:** One benefit of a proposal for the Missouri State High School Activities Association to divide into public and private classes would be for Illinois schools like Belleville Althoff to find easier in scheduling football opponents.

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## Warriors pin 8 spots on all-SWC squad

By Patrick C. Heston  
Staff writer

The Granite City Warriors dominated the 1996-97 all-Southwestern Conference wrestling team, placing eight of a possible 16 individuals on the first team.

The decision was even more impressive considering this was the first year of SWC expansion. Edwardsville and East St. Louis Lincoln were added to what had been a six-team league, making it far less likely that one team could monopolize the top picks.

But the Warriors are obviously the conference powerhouse. For all the things that have changed this year in the SWC, records did not.

GCHS' freshmen earning first team honors were Gary Oxford (103 pounds) and George Kirgan (171). Two sophomores were named to the first team, Brooks Narvaez (140) and Kevin Venn (160). Other seniors on the first team were juniors Adame Dunnivant (112), Matt Werner (125), and Jonas Janek

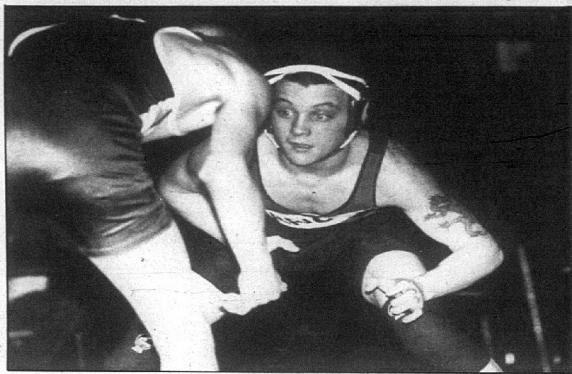
(145), as well as senior Mike Glover (152).

Clint Freitag (152) and Chad McCoy (160) of Edwardsville joined Marc Justice (125) and Nick DeLisle (135) of Collinsville and Belleville West's B.J. Bertelsman (275) to round out the first team.

"With the addition of Edwardsville and Lincoln to the conference, the all-conference selection meeting was a lot like a seeding meeting," said GCHS coach Mark Goss. "I felt we should choose wrestlers who had qualified for the state tournament. Otherwise, I told the coaches, we were watering down our conference."

With others who wanted to look just at what individuals did within the conference schedule. In the end, we reached a compromise. In the event of a tie, we looked solely at conference performance."

Either way, the Warriors would have dominated, just as they did in league (See SWC, Page 4B)



Adame Dunnivant was one of eight GCHS wrestlers named to this season's all-Southwestern Conference team.

## Small schools cap year on high note

By Patrick C. Heston  
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## Journal Writers' Poll Boys Basketball

### LARGE SCHOOLS

1. CCB (28-4).....	60
2. Belleville East (24-4).....	50
3. Vashon (24-4).....	48
4. DeSmet (27-3).....	45
5. Edwardsville (23-5).....	34
6. Riverview Gardens (20-8).....	33
7. Lafayette (24-5).....	21
8. Francis Howell (19-9).....	19
9. Pattonville (22-6).....	13
10. Parkway Central (21-6).....	4

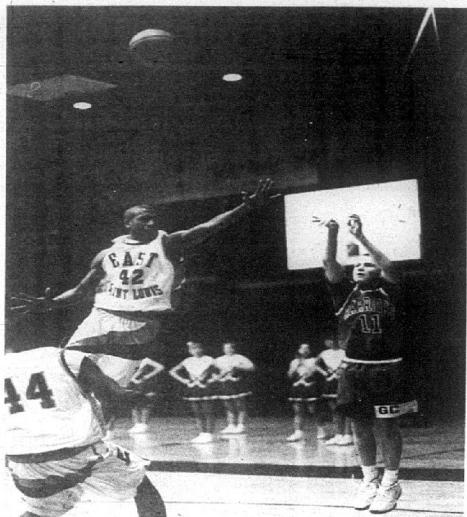
### SMALL SCHOOLS

1. Madison (20-1).....	60
2. Jennings (18-13).....	53
3. Columbia (22-7).....	49
4. DuBourg (22-5).....	35
5. South County Tech (23-1).....	34
6. John Burroughs (20-4).....	29
7. Festus (20-6).....	27
8. Berkeley (17-12).....	14
9. Venice (19-10).....	11
10. Lutheran South (16-10).....	8

## Journal Writers' Poll Girls Basketball

### LARGE SCHOOLS

1. Gateway Tech (28-0).....	70
2. Troy (25-4).....	63
3. Cor Jesu (19-12).....	54
4. St. Joseph's (20-9).....	47
5. Pattonville (23-4).....	44
6. Belleville East (26-4).....	37
7. Francis Howell N. (23-5).....	28
8. Parkway South (20-6).....	20
9. McCluer (19-8).....	13
10. Nerinx Hall (19-9).....	7



(Staff photo by JOHN FRESE)

Zack May gets off a jumper as Seth Kirkpatrick of East St. Louis defends.

## Journal Writers' Poll Wrestling

### Final Poll

1. St. Charles West (1).....	70
2. Francis Howell (2).....	59
3. Granite City (3).....	57
4. Oakville (4).....	50
5. Fox (5).....	38
6. Francis Howell North (6).....	28
7. Lindbergh (7).....	26
8. Fort Zumwalt North (8).....	22
9. Hazelwood Central (9).....	12
10. McCluer (10).....	9

## Basketball

### Granite City Park District Tuesday League

Electric Mud Puppies (11).....	11-1
Pacemakers (Value).....	10-2
Johnsons (2).....	9-4
Krandens' (5).....	7-5
Cosa Nostra (6).....	5-7
McCluer (7).....	5-7
Hazelwood Assembly (8).....	1-11
Scores	
Electric Mud Puppies 61, Cosa Nostra	
58	
Krandens' 72, Johnsons 27	
Pacemakers 55, McCluer 42	
Electric Mud Puppies 66, Pacemakers	
59	
McCluer 66, Hazelwood Assembly	
44	
Jacobsmeyers 67, Cosa Nostra 56	

### Wednesday League

Roughnecks (10).....	10-2
Jacobsmeyers (11).....	9-4
Smoky Joe's (12).....	5-7
Purples (13).....	5-7
Commercial Telephone (14).....	2-10
Scores	
Roughnecks 69, Cosa Nostra 88	
Pacemakers 72, Johnsons 27	
Pacemakers 55, McCluer 42	
Electric Mud Puppies 66, Pacemakers	
59	
McCluer 66, Hazelwood Assembly	
44	
Jacobsmeyers 67, Cosa Nostra 56	

### Thursday League

Bindy's II (10).....	10-1
Knight of Columbus (11).....	9-4
Jacobsmeyers (12).....	6-4
Burns Liquor (13).....	5-6
Bindy's I (14).....	4-4
Ernie & Annie's (15).....	2-7
Running Rebels (16).....	2-8
Scores	
Bindy's II (10).....	10-1
Knight of Columbus (11).....	9-4
Jacobsmeyers (12).....	6-4
Burns Liquor (13).....	5-6
Bindy's I (14).....	4-4
Ernie & Annie's (15).....	2-7
Running Rebels (16).....	2-8

## Prep baseball

### BELLEVILLE EAST LANCERS

#### March

27 at Dupo.....	4 p.m.
29 East Moline (DH).....	11 a.m.
31 at West Alton.....	4 p.m.
April	
1 at Red Bud (DH).....	4 p.m.
2 Highland.....	4:15 p.m.
3 at East St. Louis.....	4:15 p.m.
5 Quincy (DH).....	11 a.m.
6 at Collinsville.....	4:15 p.m.
8 at Belleville West.....	4:15 p.m.
10 at Mt. Vernon (DH).....	1 p.m.
15 Alton.....	4:15 p.m.
17 at Granite City.....	4:15 p.m.
22 ESL Lincoln.....	4:15 p.m.
26 at Centralia (DH).....	11 a.m.
28 at Alton (DH).....	4 p.m.
May	
1 East St. Louis.....	4:15 p.m.
3 Cahokia (DH).....	10 a.m.
6 at Collinsville.....	4:15 p.m.
8 Belleville West.....	4:15 p.m.
9 at O'Fallon (DH).....	4:15 p.m.
12 at Alton.....	4:15 p.m.
15 Granite City.....	4:15 p.m.
17 at Freeburg.....	4:15 p.m.
20 at Mt. Vernon (DH).....	11 a.m.
24 Cahokia (DH).....	11 a.m.
27 at Highland.....	4:15 p.m.

#### April

1 New Athens.....	4:15 p.m.
2 at Gilman.....	4:15 p.m.
3 at Alton.....	4:15 p.m.
5 O'Fallon.....	4:15 p.m.
8 at ESL Lincoln.....	4:15 p.m.
10 at Collinsville.....	4:15 p.m.
12 at Belleville East.....	4:15 p.m.
15 at Granite City (Mo).....	4:15 p.m.
18 Waterloo.....	4:15 p.m.
19 at Alton (DH).....	11 a.m.
21 at Mt. Vernon (DH).....	1 p.m.
24 East St. Louis.....	4:15 p.m.
26 at Salem.....	11 a.m.
May	
1 Alton.....	4:15 p.m.
2 SLU.....	4:15 p.m.
3 at Carbondale (DH).....	4 p.m.
6 ESL Lincoln.....	4:15 p.m.
8 at Belleville East.....	4:15 p.m.
12 at Centralia.....	4:15 p.m.
14 at Collinsville.....	4:15 p.m.
15 at Freeburg.....	4:15 p.m.
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#### March

### BELLEVILLE WEST MAROONS

#### March

26 Red Bud.....	4:15 p.m.
27 Rockford.....	4:15 p.m.
28 at Alton.....	4 p.m.
April	
1 at Belleville West.....	4:15 p.m.
4 at Collinsville.....	4:15 p.m.
6 at Granite City.....	4:15 p.m.
9 at O'Fallon (DH).....	4:15 p.m.
12 at Alton.....	4:15 p.m.
15 Granite City.....	4:15 p.m.
18 at Freeburg.....	4:15 p.m.
21 at Mt. Vernon (DH).....	11 a.m.
24 Cahokia (DH).....	11 a.m.
27 at Highland.....	4:15 p.m.

#### April

1 at Alton Marquette.....	4 p.m.
3 at Granite City.....	4:15 p.m.
6 at Rockford.....	4:15 p.m.
9 at Collinsville.....	4:15 p.m.
12 at Granite City.....	4:15 p.m.
15 at O'Fallon (DH).....	4:15 p.m.
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28 at Alton.....	4 p.m.
April	
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#### May

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4 at Collinsville.....	4:15 p.m.
6 at Granite City.....	4:15 p.m.
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6 at Granite City.....	4:15 p.m.
9 at O'Fallon (DH).....	4:15 p.m.
12 at Alton.....	4:15 p.m.
15 at Rockford.....	4:15 p.m.
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24 at Granite City.....	4:15 p.m.
27 at Rockford.....	4:15 p.m.

#### May

### BELLEVILLE WEST MAROONS

#### May

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4 at Collinsville.....	4:

## SPORTS

**Basketball**

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he did each game after his return at midseason, there is no question what the Trojans could have crashed the party in Peoria and returned with their third state title.

Maurice Baker was easily the best Class A player locally and probably the best guard south of Springfield.

"I can't say enough about Baker," said Coach Al Collins. "He was our team leader in every phase of the game. I've seldom seen a player work harder or play more valiantly than he did in the first half against Normal. The rest of the team fell in line."

All three area large schools played less than 500 ball on the year, but competed in the very tough Southwestern Conference. The three teams were legitimate state tournament contenders.

Each area squad had outstanding players. East St. Louis' top player was by far Lincoln's 6-6 power forward and second team all-Southwestern Conference, and 6-1 Eddie Johnson, Lincoln had one of the area's premier players in 6-8 Kimon Lewis. And the city boasted a pair of all-conference selections, 6-0 guard

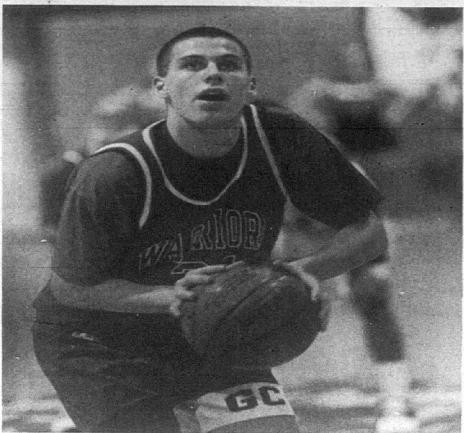
Kyle Briggs and 6-4 Ray Smith.

"Briggs and Smith both played through injuries at the end of the year," said GCHS coach Jim Van Buskirk, "and they still earned us it. Shows the quality of their character and their ability to play the game."

The Warriors also took Mt. Vernon to the wire in the game.

Van Buskirk's crew could have won and, probably, should have won. GCHS gave Chat-ham Glenwood all it could handle in the regional finals, and Glenwood then nearly spilled Belleville East in the sectional semifinals.

Bennie Lewis, Dwight Howard and Van Baker all knew in the words of Van Buskirk, "It is hard to lose, especially the last game." But all three teams provided flashes of great basketball throughout seasons, much better than their year-end records indicated.



(Staff photo by JOHN SWISTAK JR.)  
Senior forward Ray Smith and GCHS teammate Kyle Briggs were named to the all-Southwestern Conference team.

ALTON BOYS BASKETBALL 1996-97 (24-4)											
M. Hales	GP	FG-A	FG%	3 PT	3 PT%	FT-A	FT%	TR	Ave. Reb.	Ast.	Sd.
7	27	38.2	41.3	3-11	27.3	15-20	75.0	59.5	108	3.8	1.8
M. Miller	29	145-250	58.0	1-3	33.3	57-90	63.3	348	12.0	5.4	2.1
J. Elliott	30	34-57	59.7	15-54	27.8	18-42	42.9	100	12.5	4.8	1.0
M. Cross	23	230-367	62.7	20-52	38.0	78-121	63.2	212	12.7	5.0	1.0
H. Fox	30	103-240	42.3	9-42	21.4	71-98	72.4	284	9.5	4.9	3.2
J. Hines	29	229-367	62.0	14-54	25.4	74-121	60.2	212	12.7	5.0	1.0
P. Heard	21	14-26	53.8	0-0	0.0	0-14	35.7	33	1.6	0.3	0.3
D. Killebrew	23	14-39	35.6	2-12	16.0	5-15	33.3	10.0	1.7	0.8	0.3
J. Jones	7	5-11	45.5	0-0	0.0	0-5	0.0	0.0	1.4	0.4	0.4
R. Mike	30	85-201	41.3	9-33	27.3	47-87	53.4	222	7.4	4.4	2.2
J. Amerson	6	1-2	50.0	0-0	0.0	0-1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
C. Banks	4	2-4	50.0	0-0	0.0	1-3	50.0	5	1.3	0.0	0.3
Totals	30	855-1861	49.0	49-205	23.9	39-624	62.5	2155	71.8	31.9	11.9

Totals include all field goal attempts, including 3-point attempts.

Per-game-played averages listed on rebounds, steals and assists.

BELLEVILLE EAST BOYS BASKETBALL 1996-97 (4-13)											
R. Oliver	GP	FG-A	FG%	3 PT	3 PT%	FT-A	FT%	TR	Ave. Reb.	Ast.	Sd.
24	38-82	41.3	3-11	27.3	36-53	69.2	115	4.8	4.2	0.8	1.0
P. Cox	24	27-62	43.5	1-10	10.0	10-27	37.0	122	2.0	1.0	0.0
A. Taylor	14-34	41.3	0-0	0.0	0.0	8-14	57.1	38	1.5	0.3	1.2
E. Grimes	24	184-380	49.2	0-0	0.0	96-153	62.0	464	19.3	2.5	2.5
E. Walla	9-15	61.1	0-0	0.0	0.0	1-9	10.0	10	1.1	0.0	0.0
M. Klamm	23	25-62	40.6	1-10	10.0	10-25	40.0	120	2.7	1.1	1.4
M. Todd	26	43-111	38.7	20-63	31.7	29-39	74.4	135	5.2	2.4	1.1
N. P. Lewis	26	40-102	39.5	11-40	27.3	27-37	72.3	125	5.2	2.4	1.1
L. Scheller	26	40-88	45.5	11-36	29.6	22-37	59.5	113	4.4	2.8	1.1
J. Heibig	26	164-326	50.3	33-89	37.1	57-79	72.1	416	18.1	4.6	3.2
C. S. Williams	14	23-62	37.1	0-0	0.0	7-15	46.7	45	3.8	1.2	0.0
B. Dye	25	36-76	47.4	6-13	46.2	30-39	78.9	108	4.3	2.5	1.2
R. Holliday	11	1-10	10.0	0-0	0.0	1-10	10.0	10	1.0	0.0	0.0
D. Griden	7	1-5	20.0	0-0	0.0	0-5	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.1
Totals	26	853-1709	48.9	104-302	34.4	382-572	66.8	216	81.2	19.9	13.9

Totals include all field goal attempts, including 3-point attempts.

Per-game-played averages listed on rebounds, steals and assists.

BELLEVILLE WEST BOYS BASKETBALL 1996-97 (6-14)											
R. Swift	GP	FG-A	FG%	3 PT	3 PT%	FT-A	FT%	TR	Ave. Reb.	Ast.	Sd.
22	100-201	49.7	43-90	47.7	38-51	74.5	281	12.7	3.4	0.0	0.0
R. Wible	20	98-147	65.3	0-0	0.0	50-94	52.1	227	12.3	2.5	2.0
B. Wanless	22	49-92	52.4	46-102	45.1	24-35	68.6	125	2.5	2.0	0.0
J. Glauer	20	28-62	45.1	0-0	0.0	10-17	58.8	66	6.6	1.4	0.0
D. Goss	10	11-27	40.7	0-0	0.0	3-10	30.0	11	1.0	0.0	0.0
M. Stumpf	12	19-33	57.5	0-0	0.0	7-15	46.7	45	3.8	1.2	0.0
D. Williams	18	22-66	33.3	2-10	20.0	28-46	63.0	51	5.1	2.0	0.0
T. C. Carter	15	35-50	70.0	0-0	0.0	17-32	51.5	87	5.8	1.1	0.1
T. M. Jackson	9	8-11	72.7	0-0	0.0	2-5	40.0	16	1.6	0.0	0.0
C. Carey	5	1-3	33.3	0-1	0.0	8-16	50.0	26	5.2	0.0	0.0
Totals	22	460-880	52.2	97-239	40.5	234-373	62.7	1251	56.9	22.2	11.2

Totals include all field goal attempts, including 3-point attempts.

Per-game-played averages listed on rebounds, steals and assists.

COLLINSVILLE BOYS BASKETBALL 1996-97 (6-17)											
M. Kusel	GP	FG-A	FG%	3 PT	3 PT%	FT-A	FT%	TR	Ave. Reb.	Ast.	Sd.
2	0-0	90.0	0-1	0.0	0.0	0-0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1
C. Harrison	2	5-8	62.5	0-0	0.0	0-0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
R. Wible	20	40-110	36.3	26-79	32.9	7-10	70.0	113	5.9	1.0	0.5
B. Williams	20	40-110	36.3	26-79	32.9	7-10	70.0	113	5.9	1.0	0.5
J. Ashbeck	21	67-202	33.1	3-10	30.0	7-11	64.0	210	10.0	4.7	2.7
M. Native	12	10-28	35.7	0-0	0.0	13-31	48.3	35	1.6	2.3	0.4
K. Kimberly	16	10-30	33.3	0-0	0.0	9-18	50.0	29	1.8	0.6	0.3
C. Clegg	25	17-51	34.3	2-22	9.1	3-14	21.4	125	1.1	1.9	0.6
H. K. Green	24	156-235	62.5	0-0	0.0	35-74	47.3	351	16.4	11.6	0.7
D. Watson	24	31-62	49.2	0-0	0.0	10-31	32.3	112	2.7	1.1	0.0
D. Watson	24	31-62	49.2	0-0	0.0	19-29	65.3	112	2.7	1.1	0.0
D. Lewis	15	23-37	62.2	0-0	0.0	17-32	53.1	83	4.2	3.8	0.5
C. M. Jackson	15	5-11	45.5	0-0	0.0	1-5	20.0	10	1.0	0.0	0.0
G. Mumford	2	5-7	70.0	1-2	50.0	2-2	1.0	13	3.3	0.5	0.0
J. Pracko	3	2-7	28.6	0-0	0.0	9-12	75.0	13	4.3	1.7	0.7
J. Hicks	1	0-1	0.0	0-0	0.0	0-4	5.0	2	1.0	0.8	0.0
C. Shewell	1	0-1	0.0	0-0	0.0	0-0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Totals	24	945-1941	52.4	59-180	31.3	203-303	56.7	1323	56.4	34.6	9.9

Totals include all field goal attempts, including 3-point attempts.

Per-game-played averages listed on rebounds, steals and assists.

EDWARDSVILLE BOYS BASKETBALL 1996-97 (22-4)											
J. Harmon	GP	FG-A	FG%	3 PT	3 PT%	FT-A	FT%	TR	Ave. Reb.	Ast.	Sd.
25	71-149	47.7	12-41	29.3	23-35	60.0	175	7.3	1.7	0.2	0.4
J. Harris	25	138-221	62.4	0-1	0.0	97-130	74.6	373	14.9	1.8	0.8
T. Wallace	25	138-221	62.4	0-1	0.0	97-130	74.6	373	14.9	1.8	0.8
J. White	10	13-47	27.7	6-28	21.3	1-4	1.0	36	3.6	0.8	0.8
B. D. Williams	24	156-233	62.4	0-0	0.0	36-64	56.3	162	6.2	7.1	4.3
D. Cowan	24	5-19	26.3	2-5	40.0	2-2	1.0	210	2.0	1.2	1.1
J. Hoisington	24	59-104	56.7	0-0	0.0	12-24	50.0	130	5.4	0.4	1.1
M. Allen	24	59-104	56.7	0-0	0.0	12-24	50.0	130	5.4	0.4	1.1
Z. May	19	20-57	35.1	14-44	31.8	12-17	70.6	69	3.3	1.5	1.4
S. Graham	4	2-10	20.0	0-0	0.0	0-5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
J. Haynes	4	2-10	20.0	0-0	0.0	0-5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Totals	24	945-1112	46.4	94-297	31.6	343-521	55.7	1309	57.8	27.3	13.3

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GRANITE CITY BOYS BASKETBALL 1996-97 (14-13)											



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**SPORTS****•SWC**

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meets all season.

With seven of the eight GCCHS matmen now underclassmen, things look very promising for GCCHS wrestling over the next few years. The Warriors won their fourth sectional title, six wins this season and advanced to the state dual team quarterfinals, where they lost to Aurora Waubonsville Valley.

Venue claimed regional and sectional titles en route to a second-place finish in the individual state tournament.

"Placing on an all-conference team is like placing at state," said Garland, "but it is important. It is something a wrestler deserves for his efforts on the mat. He teaches him that if he works hard, he will get the reward he is after. This, then, becomes a stepping stone to the future and to the state tournament."

**•Sectional**

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middle of it all. "We definitely want to keep the sectional here," SUE's Adams said. "It works well for us in the time of year because the university is on break, so there's plenty of parking."

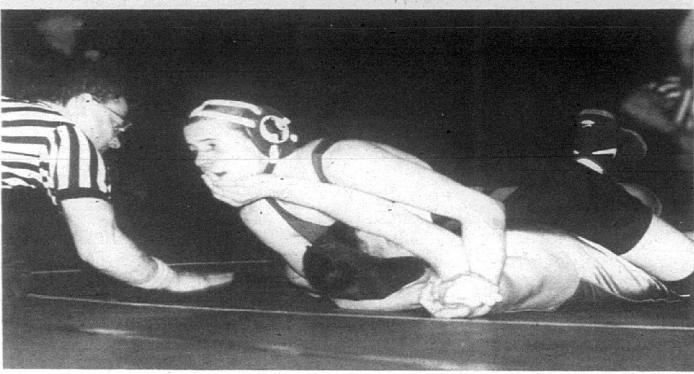
SUE landed the sectional three years ago. Previously, it was usually played in Collinsville, though East St. Louis Senior, Edwardsburg and Alton each took their turns as the host school. Administrators from Edwardsville, Collinsville, Granite City and East St. Louis divide the bulk of the necessary duties at SUE.

The University is exploring the possibility of creating a Class A boys super-sectional. Eastern Illinois University in Charleston, SIUC and WIU in Macomb are small-school super-sectional sites.

No matter what SUE does in the future, it should push all the right buttons to keep the large-school sectionals at the venue, a winning formula.

"More than anything else,

it's good the area has a place like this to bring people together for an event such as the sectional," said SUE Alumni director Jeff Welling, an Edwardsville High grad.



John Kelly looks to pin Cahokia's Gary Moore in a 125-pound match this season. (Staff photo by JOHN FRESE)

**Sports shorts**

Select team needs players

A Santini 1-select baseball team is seeking players born after Aug. 1, 1996. The team will play in a select league and several tournaments.

Tryouts will be held 6-7 p.m. Tuesday, March 26 at Maryville School. For more information, call Tom Nance at 797-2411.

Khouri sign-ups

Pontoon Beach Khouri League sign-ups for baseball, softball and T-ball will be held April 5. Mondays and Wednesdays at the Pontoon Beach Village Hall, 3910 Highway 111, and 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturdays at Tracy's Shirt Shop, 4084 Park Ave.

For more information, call 931-1291 or 931-7902.

Umpires needed

The Granite City Park District needs baseball and softball umpires for youth games this summer at Wilson Park. A meeting for those interested will be held 7 p.m. Thursday, March 20, at the Brown Recreation Center.

Youth girls and boys are needed as well as adults. Umpires will be taught the rules and mechanics of becoming

ing a Park District umpire.

The minimum age is 15.

For more information, call Ray Hoffman at 877-3059.

Youth soccer league

The Gateway East Illinois Youth Soccer League will be accepting applications for the spring season for boys and girls teams U-10 to U-14. For information, call 931-7902 or E-mail: SOCER 1941@aol.com.

Mitchell registration

The Mitchell Athletic Club is taking team registration for its summer recreational leagues (non-select) in baseball, softball and T-ball.

Boys and girls ages 4-19 are eligible. For more information, call Dave at 931-3690.

Park league sign-ups

The Granite City Park District is now taking registration for youth baseball, T-ball and ponytail softball.

The sign-ups are for boys and girls who would like to play in the 1997 summer park leagues but are not on a park district team or have never played in the park district leagues.

Boys and girls who will be

ages 6-16 may have their names placed on the list. Every effort will be made to place them on a team.

Boys and girls T-ball is for ages 6-7, youth baseball is for ages 8-9, ponytail softball is for ages 8-16.

New teams are formed from the compiled list. Names on the list are submitted by managers of existing teams who need to fill their rosters.

Anyone interested in coaching or managing a youth baseball, T-ball or ponytail softball team may visit the Wilson Park office or call recreation supervisor Ray Hoffman at 877-3059.

"RJ" Krause All-Stars

The "RJ" Krause All-Stars Sports Club of East St. Louis is seeking basketball games and tournaments for boys and girls ages 8-14 grades 3-10. The club also needs sports equipment, uniforms, cheerleading outfits, used basketball shoes, sports magazines, books, games or trading cards. For more information, call Krause at 388-1201.

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final game. Both occurred before the introduction of the three-point shot.

Alton last went to state in 1965, with its only other appearance in 1949.

Quincy (1,594 points), Decatur (1,596), Peoria Manual (1,562) and Peoria Central (1,540) are statistically the most successful schools in IHSA basketball history. Manual will pass Decatur and climb into second place with this year's trip to state.

In just four successful basketball programs in the Southwestern Conference and Press Record coverage area have been St. Louis Lincoln (1,248 points), East St. Louis Lincoln (1,273), Alton (1,041) and Marion reached the 1,000-point plateau with its state appearance this year.

Evan Paraghamian of Granite City took the last shot of the 1940 championship game, on an assist from Andy Phillip. The last shot of the 1968 championship game was taken by Mike Berger of Marion (for those of you who answered "Anthony Smedley," Smedley hit the game-winner with six seconds left, but Berger came close to winning with a final shot at the buzzer).

Laird Smith of Chicago Morgan Park took the last shot of the 1976 Class AA title tilt and Vito Rizzo of Marion (for those of you who answered "Mike Lincoln") took the last shot of the 1989 Class AA final. Of the four featured final shots, only Berger's was not a game winner.

Arthur Trout's middle name was Luther.

Chicago DuSable's three first-team all-Americans in 1938 were Eddie Lusk, Shellee McMillon and "Sweet" Charlie Brown. Joining the DuSable players on that first team, giving the state of Illinois its first three all-Americans, was Bobbie Joe Mason of Centralia and Archie Dees of Mt. Carmel.

Charles "Chico" Vaughn of Tamms (3,358 career points) was the state's top scorer in the sectional final two straight years to Herrin (1957-58) and Joe Marshall of Dongola (3,033 points), Illinois' first and fourth career leading scorers, played against each other in the same conference each of their four varsity seasons (1954-58).

The following are the answers to last Thursday's trivia questions:

1. Charles Marshall of 1960 was the only Chicago Public League champion not to have an all-black team. Player James Giglio was white.

2. Pinckneyville finished third in state in consecutive years (1953-54 and 1954-55) with identical 33-3 records, each year.

3. Rockford West scored six points in one second against Decatur in the championship game of 1955. Cobden scored seven points in two seconds against Decatur in a 1964 semi-



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Nameoki United Methodist Church

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Sunday School for all ages 9:30 A.M.

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## ENTERTAINMENT

## Hollywood's machinations dilute story of 'Rosewood'

In January 1923, a violent gang of poor white thugs ravaged the prosperous black community of Rosewood, Fla., burning it to the ground and slaughtering many of its residents. The mob had been incited by a white woman's false accusation that a black stranger raped and beat her.

The residents who survived the attack fled to the swamps and never again returned to their homes or their land. And for more than 70 years, their story remained a dark and tragic secret.

Now, John Singleton ("Boyz N the Hood") retells that brutal slice of American history in "Rosewood," which is believed to be a powerful story, however, is greatly diluted in Singleton's Hollywood distillation.

His use of a mysterious stranger who rides into town and helps save Rosewood's women and children turns the movie into a formula, and some romantic subplot. Wright will be his reliance on stereotypes, right down to the obligatory "mammy" — in this case, Esther Rolle as family matriarch Sarah Carrier — and cartoonish bigots.

These guys were crazy, and frightening to watch. Singleton's whites come straight out of central casting. The movie opens with a sweeping shot of the pristine village of Rosewood, with its neat, wooden houses and vegetable gardens made up of tidy, straight rows. The streets are clean and uncluttered. The houses well-maintained. Inside the Carrier home, a china closet holds blue china and fine crystal, and an upright piano stands in the living room.

Rosewood is a prosperous, proud community, very unlike the poor white trash enclave of nearby Summer. The white residents of Summer, and are jealous of thriving Rosewood, and are determined to obtain what they can't do. They find their answer when Fanny Taylor, a white married resident who sleeps around, is beaten by her white lover. She claims a black man did it. And though everyone knows this is not the case, her allegation provides a reason to destroy Rosewood. Much of the two-hour and

22-minute movie is devoted to the burning and destruction of the town and the slaughter of its residents.

Also near the forefront are the romance between Mr. Man (Ving Rhames) and Scrappie (Elise Neal), a young schoolteacher, and the story of John Wright (Jon Voight), a white shopkeeper who lives in Rosewood. Wright recently has moved in with his first wife's death, and is struggling to deal with his new relationship, as are his sons. He absorbs the collective guilt of his white neighbors and becomes a buffer between their rage and the defense of the Rosewood blacks. In the end, he teams with Mr. Man.

As the mysterious stranger, Rhames is a strong, attractive presence. But is he a romantic leading man? More compelling is Don Cheadle ("Devil in a Blue Dress") as Sylvester Carrier, a gentle piano teacher who stands up for his rights and those of his family.

But by pitifully focusing almost entirely on the destruction of the community and a few, mostly superficial, characters, Singleton misses a big opportunity for a more dramatic presentation: the story of the survivors.

Why did they remain silent for so many years, and how did they cope with the terror that haunted them?

Why didn't they seek outside help and get back their land from the whites who stole it from them?

And what was the journey to some small form of justice such as for Arnett Doctor, the son of a survivor who finally got the state of Florida to make reparations?

Still, "Rosewood" is a movie that deserves to be seen, because the story it tells must stay alive.

"Rosewood" was produced by Jon Peters with Penelope L. Foster as co-producer and Tracy Barone as executive producer. The script by Gregory Poirier is weak, but Johnny E. Jensen's excellent cinematography deserves a mention. The movie is rated R for violence.

— Associated Press

## 'Roots' set Friday

George Portz and the "Roots of Bluegrass" show this year at Belleville Area College will feature the same strong fiddle playing as before, but will also include some country music singing and some old fashioned harmonica playing.

The "Roots of Bluegrass" show will be held at 7 p.m., Friday, March 21, at BAC's Belleville Campus Theatre, 2500 Carlyle Ave.

New York Open Fiddle Champion George Portz and his award winning "Friends of Bluegrass" band will headline the show. Portz has won more than 130 first-place fiddle championships and, in the last five years, the band has won three Illinois State Council Band and the Illinois State Bluegrass Band.

The show also will include country singer Zane Frosner; champion harmonica player Adrian Williams; 12-year-old junior fiddle player Aaron Hummert and 12-year-old banjo player Aaron Shin, both of Swansea; Matt McElroy and the Bluegrass Boys, and "The Lonesome Polecats" bluegrass band.

The show is sponsored by the Office of College Activities. Tickets are \$8 for the general public and \$4 for students and senior citizens, in advance. Tickets at the door will be \$7. Refreshments will be available.

For more information or tickets, call the Office of College Activities at 233-2700, extension 205.

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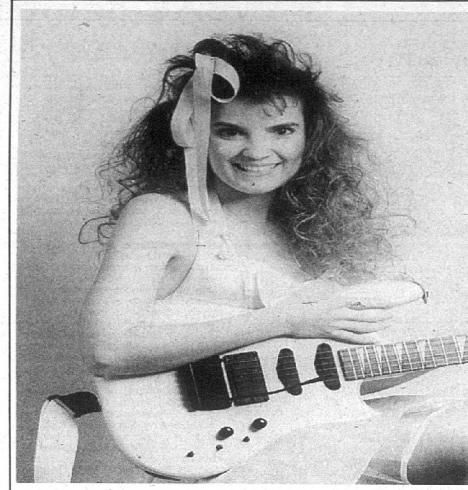
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## Vargo to host last 'Cafe'

Vanessa Vargo, of Granite City singer and professional model is the first and current guest host of the new St. Louis cable television musical variety show, "Acoustic Cafe."

Vargo will perform her final show on March 23 from 1 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the Focal Point, 8150 Big Bend, Webster Groves, Mo.

The taping date is open to the public. Vargo sings and plays an original song and interviews the musicians and bands who perform.

She was recruited as official guest host by Glen Jones based on personal style of dress. Acoustic Cafe airs every Monday night from 7:30 p.m. on Channel 22, but can be seen only in St. Louis.

## Horoscope

**Thursday, March 20**  
The sun transits into Aries! All things old are new again. Energy is infused into all kinds of situations. Saturn, the planet of hard lessons, and Pluto, the planet of transformation, both look favorably on our new Aries sign. This is the time to make big, exciting plans about your future. Don't settle for less than what you really want!

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19) You decide chores to others to help in getting organized at work. You are chosen to represent a group at a conference or civic function. Some answers from your love about a recent question you asked.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). Travel plans are made by your sweetheart for a road trip. Exams and contests go in your favor. Your job status is raised when you get credit for the success of a recent project. Phone an expert.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). Work relationships are strained due to the busy office atmosphere. Arrange a work-related social event to clear the air. Listen to Virgo's advice on how to make more money. Your love wants to travel in May and pay for your expenses. The last week in August is a month to try new things.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). Your thoughts right now are progressive and inventive.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Write down your dreams now, as they are quite prophetic. A conversation overheard at work informs you that there are several suitors vying for your hand.

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**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). You are full of productive energy and should be rearranging the house or pursuing a new career path. New starts of all kinds are suggested. Get rid of old wounds with a lover and start off fresh. Listen to music.

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improves greatly with the addition of a roommate or pet. Start a new business enterprise now as you have a plan of action to choose from. Your keen perception attracts you to Pisces who charms you:

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You need to evaluate a list of goals. Take into account your personal growth when making changes to this list. Your professional status is elevated with an honorary degree or whatever in a prestigious institution.

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## NEWS

**Briefly****Cantata starts Sunday**

The choir of Central Christian Church, 2020 Johnson Road, will present a three-part cantata in memory of Joseph Hansen, whose wife died Jan. 18, 1997.

The first part of the cantata, which is titled "Canto to the Table," will be presented on Palm Sunday, March 23, at 10:45 a.m.; the second part on Maundy Thursday, March 27, at 7 p.m.; and the third part on Easter Sunday at 10:45 a.m.

Everyone is welcome. Please call 876-0532 for further information.

**Joint Easter services set**

Dewey Avenue United Methodist Church, 2136 Dewey, Granite City, and First United Methodist Church of Madison, 5th and Main, will hold joint Easter services.

The Maundy Thursday Service will be held at 7 p.m. March 27 at First UMC of Madison.

Sunday, March 30, Easter Sunrise Service, Dewey Avenue UMC at 6:30 a.m.; Easter Worship Service, First UMC of Madison at 9:30 a.m.; and Easter Service, Dewey Avenue UMC at 10:45 a.m.

The public is welcome and encouraged to attend.

**Student awards open**

Nomination forms for the annual Student Recognition Awards are now available at the Kimmel Leadership Center of Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville. The forms are available at the center on the first floor of SIUE's University Center.

All nomination materials must be submitted to the Kimmel Center by 4:30 p.m. Friday, March 28.

Recognition awards will be given in these categories: Outstanding Student Leader, Greek Organization of the Year, Student Organization of the Year, Outstanding Program of the Year, Outstanding Community Service Project of the Year, Student Organization Advisor of the Year and Alumni Association Student Leadership Award.

For more information about the awards or about the nomination process, call the Kimmel Leadership Center at 626-2686.

**Trip to Texas slated**

The YMCA of Greater St. Louis are sponsoring a trip to romantic San Antonio and Southwest Texas April 28-May 8. This 11-day/10-night excursion includes round-trip air fare, 10 nighted lodging, motorcoach transportation throughout Texas and 22 meals. The YMCA will tour San Antonio, Austin, New Braunfels, Bandera, Corpus Christi, South Padre Island and Matamoros, Mexico.

Also included in this vacation package are: The Alamo, Fiesta Texas Theme Park, the Tower of Americas, the LBJ Library, Riverwalk Barge Ride, Austin City Music Entertainment, the King Ranch Tour and the Mayan Dude Ranch.

Cost of this trip is \$1,500 per senior, double occupancy. For more information, please phone the YMCA at (314)351-0224 or (314)353-4960.

**Motorcycle course set**

A free motorcycle course will be offered at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville beginning April 4.

Classes will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. April 4; and 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, April 5-6.

Motorcycles, helmets and insurance are provided free.

Students enrolling must be 16 years of age.

For registration or further information on the Motorcycle Rider Program, contact Southern Illinois University at Carbondale toll free at 1(800)642-9589.

**BAC Saturday classes cover variety of topics**

If you ever wished you could paint like one of the great masters, or learn about firearm safety or know the value of some of those family heirlooms, then you should be at the Granite City Campus of Bellevue Area College on Saturday's training course.

The college is offering a variety of non-credit Saturday Experience workshops ranging from oil painting to firearm safety.

Each of these non-credit courses will meet on a Saturday or a weekend. Some courses may meet only once, while others will meet for several seasons. Tuition and supply costs will vary depending on the class.

Fees must be paid before the first day of class; however, supply fees must be paid to the instructor on the first day of class.

Classes starting the week of March 22 include:

Arts and Crafts  
Pantry Basket — 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., one session, Room 511. The fee is \$14. Supplies are \$12.

Oil Painting: Mountain and Lake — 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., one session, Room 526. A Bob Ross landscape painting class taught by a certified Bob Ross

**Scholarship applications open**

Larry McCormick, president of the Granite City Scholarship Foundation has announced that applications for the 1996 scholarship grants are available at the Granite City High School counselor's office.

The scholarships will be granted to graduating seniors from Granite City High School to help finance their first year of college. Selection will be based on financial need and the screening committee's judgment of the student's ability. Students will be selected from a chosen program of college work. The amount of each grant is \$1,000 and applications must be postmarked before midnight, April 15.

The funds supporting this program are contributed by business and civic organizations in the Granite City area. Last year, 11 students received scholarships worth \$11,000 to graduating seniors. Efforts are under way to raise the funds for the 1997 program at this time.

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Personal and Professional Firearms: Skills and Safety — 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., two sessions, Room 517. The safe operation and handling of firearms for protection and marksmanship. The fee is \$28 and there is a \$5 equipment fee.

Home and Garden  
Live Floral Hanging  
Basket — 12:30-3:30 p.m., one session, Room 508. Landscapes, 1674 N. Bluff Road in Collinsville. Plant annuals in a mass-lined hanging wire basket. The fee is \$11 and supplies are \$12.

For more information, contact Joyce Nyerges, GCC Community Services coordinator at 931-0600, ext. 644.



**Nurse Day** — The Granite City School District 9 nurses met Jan. 22 for National School Nurse Day. Seated, from left, are Roxann Tueten, Betty Stone, Mary Karoly and Judy Chapman; standing, from left, are Kristie Batisos, Carol Farnsworth, Lori Messina and June Oney.

## THE LAW AND YOU

By RICK REED  
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When a man and woman obtain a divorce, sometimes one party will be ordered to pay all of the bills which accrued during the term of the marriage. After a divorce, a creditor may decide to pursue the other party who presumably was relieved of responsibility for the bills in the judgment of dissolution (divorce judgment). The question arises in these situations as to whether both parties can be pursued by the creditors.

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